

Birchcrest B Neighborhood Roadway Reconstruction

June 6, 2014

Dear Resident:

The engineering department has been receiving calls about the schedule for your neighborhood roadway reconstruction project. We are considering changing your project schedule because the contractor, Palda and Sons, is also working on two other neighborhood projects in Edina and we had an unexpected finding on one of those projects that increased their workload.

During initial construction operations in the Bredesen Park D neighborhood, we found the bolts holding the watermain together were rusted beyond their service life. This was a major surprise since we did not have any indictation of this previously. We have since added watermain replacement to the project which is a major addition to the contractor's workload.

The addition of the watermain replacement and the cool, wet spring, that initially delayed all contractors from starting construction operations, are concerning. We want to provide the best service possible and limit impacts to your neighborhood. In order to do this, we are considering different completion scenarios for the project.

We are working with the contractor to determine whether the project can be completed in 2014 as originally anticipated, completing a portion of the neighborhood this year and the remaining parts next year or completing the entire project in 2015. Weather, contractor workload and minimizing impacts to you will be considered in the decision. If the project is delayed a year, the assessments would also be delayed accordingly.

Any changes in schedule will be communicated to you within the next 3-5 weeks. This will not open up the project for further scope discussions; it will only change the completion date.

We apologize for any inconvenience this will cause but please understand we are trying to lessen impacts to you with this decision.

Sincerely,

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